

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 1082

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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by: (LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING ELIMINATION OF STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR COMPANIES THAT REDUCE RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2007) On and after October 1,
- 2 2007, if the state, any agency of the state, including the Department of
- 3 Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut
- 4 Development Authority or Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated,
- 5 provides financial assistance to any business organization, such
- 6 providing entity shall require, as a condition to receiving financial
- 7 assistance, that the business organization not eliminate or reduce, for
- 8 the period during which the business organization receives such
- 9 financial assistance, any retirement benefit being provided to retirees
- as of the date such financial assistance is approved by the providing
- entity. If a business organization eliminates or reduces any retirement
- 12 benefit in violation of this section, the full amount of any financial
- assistance received, and a penalty of five per cent of such amount, shall
- 14 be repaid to the providing entity. For purposes of this section,
- 15 "financial assistance" includes, but is not limited to, all forms of loans,
- 16 grants, guarantees and tax abatements.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | October 1, 2007 | New section |
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LAB Joint Favorable

CE Joint Favorable